

COUNCIL POLICY FORM

SUBJECT: Naming/Renaming Parks & Recreation Facilities

POLICY PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to provide the process and responsibility for naming or renaming City Parks and Recreation facilities.

POLICY STATEMENT:

Naming Parks and Recreation facilities shall be the responsibility of the City Council. Any name considerations will first be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Commission who will make a recommendation to the City Council for naming or renaming any park and recreation facility. The following criteria will be utilized in naming Parks and Recreation facilities:

The majority of City parks presently have the name of the planning district in which they are located. Any new parks should follow the same pattern, if possible. Where this is not possible, the following criteria will be given consideration in naming a park:

1. Consideration should be given for the naming of a park that has historical significance to the City of Sunnyvale or is in some other way associated with a Sunnyvale event, historical feature, or other community-related action.
2. Naming a park for a specific individual will only be considered if that individual has made a significant contribution to the City of Sunnyvale. It is recommended that a park not be named for a living person. If named for a deceased, that individual must be deceased for a least five years.
3. Where open space has been purchased that was formerly school property or adjoined a school, and the name of the school has community significance or community recognition, consideration of the school name should be given in naming the park.
4. Facilities within a park can be named using the criteria of Numbers 1-3 above.
5. Other name considerations will only be considered if one of the three above criteria does not provide a name suitable for a park.

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Deputy City Clerk Certification _____